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RECLAMATION ADVISORY MEMORANDUM NO. 19

TO:

All Regional Engineers

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FROM:

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DATE:

March 6, 1980

SUBJECT:

Administrative Review of Permits

As you are aware, the Bureau of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement established the concept of Administrative Review of Permits in our London Regional Office on an experimental basis. This procedure was implemented with the understanding that should the results of the experiment prove successful, the procedure would be implemented in the other six regional offices.

I am pleased to announce that the experimental review process has been highly successful. Our analysis of the procedure indicates the saving of considerable time in the review process.

Inasmuch as this experimental project has proved to be successful, as well as extremely helpful to the industry, the decision has been made to implement the procedure in the remaining regional offices of the Bureau. The following schedule for Administrative Review of all Permit Applications is listed below:

Effective Date

Regional Office

April 1, 1980

Madisonville & Middlesboro

April 15, 1980

Grayson & Hazard

May 1, 1980

Prestonsburg & Pikeville

cc: Jackie Swigart Nancy Osborne